

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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May 20, 2003

FROM: **BILL INGRAHAM**, Director
 Department of Airports

**SUBJECT: GRANT APPLICATION TO FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR
 CHINO AIRPORT**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Approve grant application in the amount of \$550,000 to the Federal Aviation Administration to fund relocation of Chino Airport Runway 3-21 thresholds and 2) Authorize the Director of Airports to sign and submit all grant related documents including the application and subsequent grant agreement.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Department of Airports has previously applied for and received Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program grants. These grants provide financing for construction and reconstruction of eligible airport facilities and airfield improvements at County Airports.

If approved, this grant would fund the relocation of the runway thresholds for Runway 321. Currently, the safety areas for Runway 3-21 extend beyond the airport operations area and are obstructed by adjacent roadways. It is necessary to shorten the runway by relocation of each runway end threshold, bringing the safety areas into compliance with FAA design criteria.

The FAA provides grants to eligible sponsors, including the County, by way of the Airport Improvement Program using funds from the Federal Airport and Airways Trust Fund. This grant would provide funding for 90% of the total project cost. The County would be responsible for the remaining 10% of the cost. Additional funding may be available from the State of California Division of Aeronautics in the amount of 5% of the total project cost, reducing the County participation to 5% or an estimated \$30,555.

Pursuant to County Policy 11-14, all application for grant funds must be submitted to the Board prior to submission to the granting agency. Approval of recommendations would enable the Department to secure the necessary funding for this project and authorize the Director of Airports to sign and submit documents related to the grants. The Board's approval of these recommendations would facilitate the continued safe and efficient use of Chino Airport.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item was reviewed by County Counsel, Fiona Luke, Deputy County Counsel) on May 6, 2003, and the County Administrative Office (Tom Forster, Administrative Analyst) on May 12, 2003.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT: The cost for this project is estimated at \$611,111. Of this amount, 90% (\$550,000) would be provided by the FAA grant. The remaining 10% County match (\$61,111) would be paid from interest on the Fontana Airport sales proceeds (Fund RAA) with a potential contribution from the CALTRANS Division of Aeronautics up to \$30,555. The project is included in the FY 2002/03 capital improvement budget for Airports.

COST REDUCTION REVIEW: The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item, concurs with the department's proposal, and recommends approval of this project as it directly impacts the safety and welfare of Chino Airport and its users. The project will be fully funded by federal and state revenue sources and County capital improvement funds dedicated for airport improvements. This project will have no financial impact on the County's General Fund.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): Fourth District

PRESENTER: Bill Ingraham, 387-7802